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PURDAH TALKS ABOUT BURMA'S FUTURE

Indian Invitees Gagged: Racial Discrimination From Start: Dorman Smith's Homily

SIMLA, February 10.

Enquiries made from authoritative circles about the Burma-Indian Conference now in session in Simla reveal that 21 Indians have been invited by the Burma Government to participate in the Conference in their individual capacity and not representing any interests or institutions.

It appears that the invitation was extended to them subject to the condition that they should not reveal to their constituents information to be placed before the Simla Conference.

HOW WIND BLOWS

It is further learnt that not only the Burma Government extended no invitation to those Indians, who have not been residents in Burma before the evacuation though they have large stakes there, but the Government of Burma have adopted a discriminatory policy on the question of post-war reconstruction plans inasmuch as the reports of several subjects dealt with and prepared by the Reconstruction Department have been made available to the European Burma Chamber of Commerce and the European interests were consulted even during the exploratory stage, while, despite representation, not a single report was sent to the Indian Chamber which has contributed largely to the prosperity of that country and which has all along assured the Government its co-operation with the Burma Government on the post-war reconstruction plans.

INDIAN MEMBERS LINE UP FOR THEIR RIGHTS

United Press learns that the 21 Indian members who are attending the Burma India Conference are more or less unanimous in their view to press for the rights and privileges of Indians in Burma being conceded after the war. It is understood they would press to treat the Indian domiciles in Burma on the same basis as domiciles of the United Kingdom and that there should be no imposition of ban on entry of Indians in Burma much less on unskilled labour.

On the post-war plans and in future discussions between the Governments there is a move to impress the Indo-Burma Government the necessity of associating non-official Indian opinion at every stage of the discussion affecting Indian interests in Burma and with that end in view it is suggested that an association comprising representatives of four important Indian Commercial interests in Burma should be constituted. —United Press.

CONFERENCE MEETS BEHIND PURDAH

SIMLA, Feb. 10.

Addressing the Burma Indian Conference to-day Sir Reginald Dorman Smith, Governor of Burma, said:—

"Nature decreed that India and Burma should be neighbours and I myself fail to see why they should not be the best of good neighbours. It is a common knowledge that in the past there were some sources of friction between the two countries. But I hope that the two Governments will now be able to review the whole field of Indian-Burman relations afresh and that out of our discussions we will reach agreements on all matters of mutual concern, agreements which will satisfy public opinion in both countries. For our part I do not think that I need say more than that we do attach the very greatest importance to the maintenance of good relations between India and Burma."

His Excellency continuing emphasised that there was not the slightest intention to discourage the return to Burma of Indians who had genuine roots in the country and this was a matter about which discussions would, it was hoped, shortly be held with the Government of India. The very greatest importance attaches to the maintenance of our relations between India and Burma.

His Excellency further assured the conference that there would be no discrimination against Indian interests in regard to compensation for war losses and as regards facilities for restarting business in Burma. It was not the case that British commercial firms had sought or had been promised any privileges in these matters.

As regards the constitutional future it had been made clear by the Secretary of State that the object was to assist Burma to attain complete self-Government within the British Commonwealth as soon as circumstances permitted and this being so it was necessary that plans for the future should be acceptable to the peoples of Burma including the minority communities. The object was not merely to rebuild the old Burma, but to build a better Burma. The practical difficulties were immense and it was essential not to evolve schemes which in the long run the country could not afford to maintain. Success in reconstruction could be attained only with the whole-hearted co-operation of the Burmese people.

Those present included Sir Hutton Aung Gyaw, Mr. Tin Tut, Mr. Vellayan Chettyar, Mr. B. N. Das, Mr. S. N. Haji, Sardar Ganga Singh and Rai Bahadur Virjee Daya.

The proceedings of the subsequent sittings will not be open to the press. However, an official statement regarding the decisions reached on the reconstruction proposals affecting the Burma-Indians will be issued to the press later

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10: The State Department announces that the United States and Iran have decided to raise their diplomatic missions from legations to embassies.—Reuter.

British Planes Attack Swedish Red Cross Ship

Regret Expressed To Swedish Govt.

LONDON, Feb. 10.

The Stockholm radio said to-day: "The Swedish Red Cross ship "Wiril" was attacked at 11-40 hours on Monday at Chios in the Aegean by six British planes. The ship was both machine-gunned and bombed. One Swedish Red Cross delegate and four crew members were seriously injured. The super structure midships was entirely burned off and the aft part of the ship also caught fire. The ship was clearly marked with Red Cross insignias and Swedish colours on the deck and sides of the ship. The "Wiril" travelled exclusively in Greek waters. It was chartered by the Red Cross to distribute grain from Canada between Piraeus and the Island in the Aegean Sea."

"Reuter" learns that for reasons which so far have not been explained there was a last minute change in the sailing schedule of the ship which resulted in her leaving for Chios four days in advance of the agreed sailing date.

The British Minister in Stockholm has been instructed to express to the Swedish Government the sincere regrets of the British Government.—Reuter.

American Raiders Attack Targets In France And Germany

LONDON, Feb. 10.

American army airforce headquarters announces that formations of heavy bombers to-day attacked targets in Brunswick in Central Germany and the Nazi held fighter base of Gilze-Rijen in Holland.

American Headquarters announce: "American airforce medium bombers escorted and covered by R.A.F., R.C.A.F. and Allied Spitfires this morning attacked military objectives in northern France".

It is officially announced that R. A. F. Mosquitos attacked targets in western Germany last night. One plane is missing.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT TO BROADCAST TO-MORROW

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10: President Roosevelt will broadcast on Saturday afternoon at the ceremony for the presentation of a destroycr escort to the French people.—Reuter.

SIX POLICEMEN HAULED UP FOR DACOITY

KARACHI, Feb. 10.

Six members of the Sind Police Rifles were challaned before the Magistrate of Shahdadpur in connection with two different cases of dacoities alleged to have been committed by them in two villages in Shahdadpur Taluka. In village Kasim Bhambhro they are alleged to have robbed some people of money and killed a hen; and in village Walio Bagrani killed a goat.

The case was originally investigated by the Sind Rifle Police and later handed over to the Nawabshah District Police for investigation who then instituted the above cases.—United Press.

Tagore's Letters Burgled

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10.

A number of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore's letters (in manuscript), yet unpublished, formed part of the booty of a burglary committed early this morning at the residence of the well-known Bengali writer and poet, Mr. Sajani Kanta Das. Mr. Das received injuries from a fall, while attempting to challenge the intruders.

It is reported that about half a dozen persons, who had managed to effect an entry into the house early in the morning, ransacked the library of Mr. Das and took away from a drawer a number of Poet Rabindranath's unpublished letters along with other articles, including ornaments, clothes and cash.

The Police have already arrested one person on suspicion in this connection.—A. P.

Bengal Flouts Delhi Directive?

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10

The Calcutta Corporation last night adopted a resolution regretting that the Government of Bengal had, in contravention of the direction of the Government of India in connection with the rationing scheme in Calcutta, reduced the percentage of private retail shops 55 per cent to approximately 22 per cent of the total ration-card holders.—A. P.

CALCUTTA, February 10: Dewan Bahadur R. S. Naidu, Chief Minister of Cooch Behar State, has been re-elected to the Committee of Ministers of the Chamber of Princes.—United Press.

RAPID SOVIET DRIVE ON LUGA

Nazi Battle Front Crumbling Before Sweeping Advance Of Red Forces

BERLIN, Feb. 10.

To-day's German High Command 'communique' reports that the German front has been shortened between Lake Ilmen and Lake Peipus.

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow, cables:—

Two more bastions in the rapidly crumbling German battle front are to-day threatened by the Red Army following its sweeping advances on most of the main sectors of the Russian front in the last 24 hours.

In the north Soviet spearheads are now driving rapidly on Luga, the last important German stronghold in Leningrad province, while in the south the United armies of General Malinovsky and General Tolbukhin are preparing to capture Krivoi Rog, the important ore centre.

In the Shpola trap the Russians have pierced the heart of the German "pocket" by the capture of Gorodische. At the other end of the trap the Russians have taken Sakhnovkov. Trapped Germans are now squeezed into a space varying from five to fifteen miles in width.

Krivoi Rog, the last remaining German salient in the heart of the Dnieper Bend, is now half encircled by the Russian classic pincer movement. —Reuter.

U.S. Note To Finland

LONDON, Feb. 10.

The Finnish radio to-day broadcast the contents of the United States' Note to Finland to which reference was made by Mr. Cordell Hull, the United States Secretary of State at his Press Conference last Tuesday.

The announcer added "the American advice will be seriously studied by all Finnish circles."—Reuter.

PLIGHT OF TRAPPED GERMAN DIVISIONS

The 10 German divisions trapped in Kanyev "Pocket" are living, through their last hours. Even Soviet spearheads are piercing to the heart of their positions and three of them are almost at the outskirts of Korsun, the centre and base of the German forces, which is being heavily shelled. The fate of these divisions seems likely to me duplicated soon at Krivoi Rog, the iron ore centre and last core of German resistance in the Eastern Dnieper bend. The powerful garrisons of Krivoi Rog is now almost surrounded by forces not more than ten miles away.—Reuter.

"NAZI THREATS NOT TO BE MINIMIZED"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.

The Acting Secretary for War Mr. Robert Patterson told a press conference to-day that although the greatest weight of the German counter-attack on the Allied beachhead at Anzio is still to be felt "our men are firmly established." Despite this factor, Mr. Patterson said that the German threats to the Anzio beachhead are "not to be minimised." He said that the Germans had massed considerable forces for counterblows including tanks and more and more artillery. At the same time he reiterated that weather conditions had favoured the Germans and minimized the Allied air power.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL TO MAKE STATEMENT ON WAR SITUATION

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 10: Mr. Churchill will make a statement on the war and international situation shortly.

Mr. Eden, the Foreign Secretary, announced in the Commons to-day that it would take place on the first of the next series but one series of sittings.

A debate lasting two days would follow.—Reuter.

RACIAL LAWS REPEALED IN LIBERATED ITALY

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Reuter's special correspondent at advanced Allied Headquarters cables:

All Anti-Semitic Laws have been deleted from the Italian Statute Book by a Royal decree signed by King Victor Emmanuel. The decree was issued with a preamble signed by General Mason MacFarlane, Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission in Italy.

All Jewish Government and Municipal employees have been restored to posts of which they were deprived by racial laws. Italian Jews who, debarred from passing Italian scholastic examinations, took such examinations, abroad, will have their qualifications recognised.

The new decree is valid in all liberated Italian territory namely, both that hitherto administered by the Allied Military Government and that hitherto administered by the Royal Government.

It thus constitutes the first practical manifestation of the unified administrative system, an announcement about which is believed to be imminent.—Reuter.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:

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CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10.

The Market continued quiet and the volume of business was somewhat meagre. Government securities were unchanged.

FESTIVAL CRICKET TO AID INDIAN RED CROSS

D. R. Jardine And Mushtaq Ali To Lead Rival Teams

By J. C. MAITRA

The Festival Cricket Match between the Services XI and an Indian XI in aid of the Indian Red Cross Fund will commence at the Brabourne Stadium to-day at 11-30 a.m.

Despite all the efforts of the C. C. I. the services of "Wally" Hammond, James Langridge, Harry Parks and Jim Smith could not be secured. There is no doubt that this will rob the engagement some of its colourful personalities. However Major D. R. Jardine, who will lead the Services XI has gathered together a fairly strong side, although there are only two players in it, including himself, Hardstaff being the other, who have represented England in international cricket. Barring the two Indians, Adhikari and Mahomed Sayeed, who are well-known here, the other players have played for one county or another while they were in England. Skinner has figured prominently as a bowler in the Annual Cricket Festival of Bombay before. We do not know in what form all these players, with the exception of Adhikari, are at present. I have no doubt, however, that they will try their utmost to give of their best. Physically fit as they all are, they may be relied upon to use their previous experience to great advantage.

MUSHTAQ'S HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY

When it became known that Vijay Merchant will not be able to lead the Indian XI owing to the injury he received in the Poona Match, it was hoped in many quarters that either the Nawab of Pataudi or Col. C. K. Nayudu would be invited to take up their leadership. But to my surprise, I found Mushtaq Ali entrusted with this heavy responsibility. While heartily congratulating Mushtaq on the unexpected honour done to him, I am afraid he may be overweighed with the burden of it inexperienced as he is in this responsible position. However, best of luck to him! He has at his command the strongest battery of attack India can field to-day. If our fielders do their bit properly, and if he handles the bowlers wisely, he should not experience any serious difficulty in disposing of the opposing batsmen within a reasonable limit of score.

Without Merchant and Amarnath, Indians batting strength cannot be said to be of the highest. Still there are enough talents, with Hazare at the vanguard, to worry Jardine's tranders. If Mushtaq manages to win the toss, he will steal a great advantage over his redoubtable rival.

Punjab Annexes Rohinton-Baria Trophy

LAHORE, Feb. 10.

The Punjab University annexed the Rohinton-Baria Trophy beating the Madras University in the final of the Inter-varsity Cricket Championship by two hundred and sixty-eight runs, half an hour before the tea interval.—A. P.

Service XI To Meet Indians To-day

The following is the final selection for the Services XI who will play against an Indian XI in the Festival Cricket Match which begins to-day:

Major D. R. Jardine (Captain), Capt. Mischler (Wicket Keeper), Lt. Adhikari (Baroda), Sgt. Butler (Notts.), Gnr. Cray (Essex Opening bat), Sgt. Dobree Carey (R.A.F. Minor Counties Dorset), Capt. T. C. Dodds (Middlesex 2nd XI), B. S. M. Hardstaff (England and Notts.), Capt. R. G. Hunt (Cambridge and Sussex), Capt. Mohamed Syeed (Southern Punjab), Capt. Skinner (Minor Counties Buckinghamshire). RESERVE: Pte. Stansfield (2nd XI left hand bowler Lancashire).

The following are the hours of play: 11-30 a.m. to 1-30 p.m.; 1-30 p.m. to 2-15 p.m. (Lunch interval); 2-15 p.m. to 4-15 p.m.; 4-15 p.m. to 4-30 p.m. (Tea interval); 4-30 p.m. to 6-15 p.m.

NO INDEPENDENCE FOR CEYLON WITHOUT FREE INDIA

Statements Of Two Jailed Ceylon State Councillors

COLOMBO, Feb. 9.

Doctor N. M. Pereira and P. D. R. Gunawardene, Sama Samajist leaders, now under Detention under the Defence Regulations were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 each by the Kandy Magistrate on a charge of having escaped from lawful custody.

The accused who were members of the State Council at the time of their arrest in June, 1940 were alleged to have escaped from detention barracks at Kandy on 8-4-42, were re-arrested in India in July last year and brought to Ceylon.

Both made statements in the course of the trial.

Mr. Pereira questioning the validity of the Governor's order for their detention when the State Council had more than once demanded their release said that even the arrest of admitted Fascists in England had the implicit sanction of Parliament. Mr. Pereira added: "Our escape from custody was deliberately planned and deliberately timed for the purpose we had in mind—participation in the momentous struggle that was due to be launched in India. We are proud we had the privilege of contributing our little towards the cause of freedom of that great country. Independence of Ceylon is inconceivable except in terms of the freedom of India."

Mr. Gunawardene made a similar statement.

After the sentence was passed both gave notice of appeal.—A. P.

BENGAL FAMINE VICTIMS

Food Member's Latest Story

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10.

Famine mortality figures in Bengal were once again the subject of a number of questions in the Assembly to-day. The Food Member Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastarea made a statement to remove any misunderstanding which might have arisen from the reply he had given at an earlier sitting. He had stated then that he did not know the figures given by the Secretary of State and how they were obtained.

"I meant", said the Food Member, "that we had not intimated any precise figures. I now find, however, that we had on the basis of the best information then available to us expressed the opinion in the beginning of January that in the overall picture, it was unlikely that exceptional mortality due to famine and disease had yet exceeded one million. I did not have this telegram with me, when I answered the supplementaries then. It was no doubt to that expression of opinion that the Secretary of State referred when he quoted the figure of one million in Parliament"

Did the Government of India express any opinion in the matter of the appointment of Mr. Casey, asked Mr. A. C. Datta.

Sir Sultan Ahmed, Information Member, said the subject did not concern the Governor-General-in-Council. Governors were appointed by His Majesty the King.

Sardar Sant Singh: Is the Hon. Member aware that this appointment has created a good deal of discontent and dissatisfaction?

Sir Sultan Ahmed: No, sir.

Sardar Sant Singh: Has the Government of India tried to gauge the feelings of the country in the matter?

Sir Sultan: We have nothing to do with the appointment.

"Coal production has recently shown some improvement", said Dr. Ambedkar, Labour Member, in reply to Sir Frederick James' question. "Raisings in December 1943 showed an increase of over 20 per cent over November." —A. P.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY PASSES OFFICIAL BILLS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10.

The Central Assembly disposed of three official bills and adjourned till Monday next week.

Official business on the agenda was completed by lunch hour, and the Chair called on Mr. Govind Deshmukh to move the adjournment motion, which had been admitted, to censure the Government on their "dilatory tactics to defeat the purpose of the Reciprocity Act as evidenced by the answers given by the Indians Overseas Member."

Dr. N. B. Khare appealing to Mr. Deshmukh not to move the motion at the present stage, gave the assurance that Government were doing everything they could in the matter. Nothing, he said, would be lost and something might be gained by withdrawing the motion now. Negotiations were going on at present between the Governments of India and South Africa.

Mr. Deshmukh agreed and withdrew the motion.

Earlier the Commerce Member's bill to amend the Coffee Market Expansion Act of 1942 was passed.

Mr. J. D. Tyson's bill to provide for the creation of a fund for the improvement and development of the cultivation, marketing and utilisation of coconuts in India was referred to a Select Committee.

The bill seeks to establish an Indian Central Coconut Committee with an independent source of income, which Mr. Tyson said would probably come from the levy of a cess on coconuts.

The Defence Secretary's bill to amend the Cantonments Act (1924) in certain minor aspects was then referred to a Select Committee.—A. P.

Seven Destitutes Die In Hospitals

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10: Seven sick destitutes died yesterday in Calcutta hospitals.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

U. S. COMBAT MANPOWER SHORTAGE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10: The manpower shortages and labour movements among experienced workmen threaten to defeat the 1944 ship production goals, the Chairman of the Wartime Commission, Admiral Emory S. Land told the Senate Military Affairs Committee to-day. He advocated a Nation Service Act to authorise the drafting of civilian labour. Ship deliveries in January fell to 124 as compared with 208 in December. —Reuter.

INDIAN STATES MERGER BILL IN LORDS

LONDON, Feb. 10: A bill to legalise the attachment of a number of smaller states in Western India to larger states such as Baroda for administrative purposes was published to-day. When the Government of India with the concurrence of His Majesty's Government proposed in the interests of the inhabitants of smaller states to give them the benefits of the administration enjoyed by larger states the legality of this proceeding was questioned.

The necessary authority for it is contained in the new bill which is entitled "India (Attachment of States) Bill 1944". It will have its Second Reading in the House of Lords during the next series of sittings.—Reuter.

SURAT STRIKE AVERTED

SURAT, Feb. 10: A compromise has been arrived at between the bidi manufacturers and Bidi Workers Association in respect of the workers demand for an increased wage, and the strike of the 1,200 bidi workers which was to have begun to-day has been averted.

The workers demand for a 25 per cent increase in their wages has been granted.—A. P.

ROLE OF THE STATE IN INDUSTRIAL PLAN

A. D. Shroff Explains Central Objectives Of 10,000 Crore Plan: Tribute To Jawahar

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Provision of adequate clothing and housing for the people of India and creation of social and cultural amenities for them—these, said Mr. A. D. Shroff, speaking under the auspices of the Progressive Group at the Taj Mahal Hotel to-day, were the central objective of the 10,000 crore scheme propounded by Indian industrialists.

All this meant the raising of the standard of living of the people during a period of fifteen years. For this purpose, there were certain essential pre-requisites. Firstly, the plan could be put into operation only by a National Government, which carried the Mandate of the people. Secondly, the entire country had to be treated like one economic unit.

Replying to questions, Mr. Shroff said that there were no sinister and machiavellian designs in the plan, but only the interests of the country. If for this purpose, it was necessary that all the industries should be state-controlled or even state-owned, the signatories to the plan would have no objection.

TRIBUTE TO JAWAHAR

Discussing the background against which this Plan was prepared, Mr. Shroff stated that no greater constructive effort had been made by the Indian National Congress than the appointment in 1938 of the National Planning Committee under the Chairmanship of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Mentioning that both Sir Purshotamdas and himself were members of that Committee, Mr. Shroff paid a tribute to the very great work done by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru on this Committee, which had the benefit not only of his inspiring guidance but also his fine intellect and constructive genius.

ROLE OF STATE

Mr. Shroff expressed his satisfaction that from the comments and criticisms that had appeared in the Press there was no difference of opinion whatsoever on the fundamental objectives of the Plan. The Plan had, therefore, performed the service of enabling the country to focus its attention on an improvement in the standard of living in the concrete form of making available adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical relief and education to every man, woman and child in the country.

Turning to the role of the State, Mr. Shroff proceeded to say: "The whole concept of Government will have to undergo a revolutionary change. The Government of the future will have to make its business to see that it takes the initiative, creates the machinery and supplies the resources for the ordered execution of a well-considered Plan. This may envisage a certain measure of control over some branches of human activity, but it does not and must not mean the introduction of totalitarianism of any brand."

As illustrations of reasonable restrictions on individual liberty, Mr. Shroff said that parents could not be allowed to continue the doubtful enjoyment of the freedom not to send their children to schools. Agriculturists might have to be compelled, if persuasion failed, to carry on farming on a co-operative basis in order to secure maximum returns. The State would also have to determine the prior claim of one industry over another, the location and size of industrial units, conditions of employment of labour, and the control of prices to eliminate profiteering.

With the proper exercise of control over prices and the increased production that will follow, the apprehensions expressed over this proposal would prove exaggerated and ill-founded. Mr. R. K. Karanjia presided.

JAPANESE GROUND DEFENCES SILENT

Madang Being Evacuated As Australians Advance?

SYDNEY, Feb. 10.

Allied pilots report silence from the ground defences at the Japanese base of Madang on the New Guinea Coast, 150 miles north-east of Lae, during the past two days, state reports from New Guinea

It is believed that the Japanese, as the Australians maintain their pressure from Amu valley, have begun to evacuate what was once an important stronghold and satellite base for Wewak 170 miles further up the coast.—Reuter.

Japs Quit Madang

NEW GUINEA, Feb. 10: Madang, the Japanese base in New Guinea has apparently been deserted.

American bombers that made a sweep over the port on Wednesday saw evidence that the Japanese may have blown up buildings and cleared out. No anti-aircraft fire was encountered.

Gen. MacArthur's 'communique' says that Allied bombers from the Solomons again attacked Japanese bases at Rabaul with 129 tons of explosives. Twelve Japanese fighters were shot down, 15 probably destroyed, a Japanese submarine on the surface was hit, a cargo ship set on fire and 26 Japanese gun positions and seven parked aircraft were destroyed.—Reuter.

U. S. DESTROYER SINKS 4 JAP SHIPS.

WASHINGTON Feb. 10: The U. S. Navy Department announces that the U. S. destroyer 'Burns' wiped out an entire convoy of four Japanese ships in the Marshalls area on January 31. 'Burns' was operating with the carrier task force that had opened attack on the Marshalls. It shelled and sank a Japanese tanker, a medium cargo ship and two smaller craft.—Reuter.

"WHY JAPS ARE ON DEFENSIVE NOW."

SYDNEY, Feb. 10: The United States Navy Under-Secretary Mr. James P. Forrestal broadcasting today said "I have been in Australia and the South-west Pacific only a short time but in brief period I have seen enough to understand why the Japanese are now on the defensive. There is a fighting aggressiveness and a sure confidence in victory throughout the Allied ranks".—Reuter.

VICEROY'S VISIT TO PUNJAB DISTRICTS

JULLUNDUR, Feb. 10.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Wavell accompanied by Their Excellencies Sir Bertrand and Lady Glancy paid a surprise visit to Hoshiarpur and Jullundur Districts to-day.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Wavell and Sir Bertrand and Lady Glancy left for their respective capitals this evening.—Reuter.

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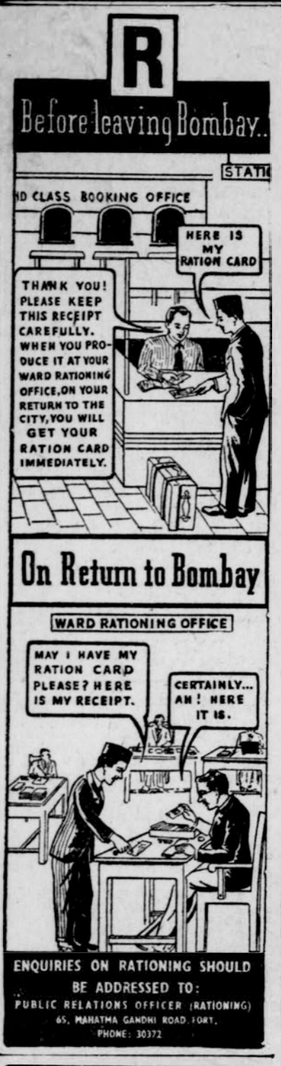
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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Feb. 10.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on Feb. 6:—

Allahabad 77 49 0, BOMBAY 82 68 0, Calcutta 86 63 T, Cawnpore 76 45 0, Cuttack 88 65 0, Darjeeling nil, Delhi 75 42 0, Dehra Dun 67 41 0, Jacobabad 79 45 0, Karachi 79 66 0, Lahore 73 39 0, Lucknow nil, Madras 87 70 0, Nagpur 86 58 0, Patna 79 50 0, Peshawar 68 39 0, Shillong 54 39 0.1, Simla 46 32 0.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Be not like the frog in the well, which knows nothing bigger and grander than its well. So are all bigots: they do not see anything better than their own creeds.

—Ramakrishna Paramahamsa.

The Bombay Chronicle

VOTE OF CENSURE

The debate in the Central Assembly on Mr. Kazmi's adjournment motion clearly shows how utterly unrepresentative the Government of India have become. The motion was a serious one. It was to discuss "the reign of terror" in the provinces caused by the misuse of Defence of India Rules, as exemplified in the arrest and detention of lawyers like Mr. Pardiwalla and Pandit Baijnath, who were defending the accused. The specific cases mentioned are only illustrative and recent but there have been hundreds of cases to provoke the use of the term "the reign of terror."

The two cases cited in the adjournment motion show a peculiar and very ugly feature of the regime of repression. They show how the long vindictive hand of law is seizing not only suspects but even the lawyers who defend them in courts. In supporting the action against Mr. Pardiwalla, the Home Member trotted out for the first time the excuse that he was connected in a way with underground Congress organisation and he went to Lahore in pursuit of underground activities. If there was any truth in the charge, he would certainly not have been spared by the Bombay Government after his return. The other case is more significant. But as it is now *sub-judice* we shall not add anything to what the Chief Justice of Allahabad has already said. Speaking generally, a sober but competent critic and lawyer like Mr. Frank Anthony went so far as to remark that the principles of jurisprudence had not only been misapplied but abused, travestied and prostituted in Magistrates' Courts and that the magistracy was "nauseatingly servile". But, as the speaker himself added, "the Magistrates themselves could not be much blamed as they were virtually subordinate to the police and were, against their better judgment, provoked to convict persons whom they would otherwise have acquitted." The picture is not complete. If the accused are acquitted, they may be, as many have been, rearrested and detained without further bother about a trial, if some authorities were satisfied that the arrested persons had been doing or were about to do or were likely to do in the future something somehow prejudicial. Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan rightly pointed out that it was becoming difficult now to find lawyers courageous enough to defend patriots.

It is notable that the motion was supported by all the Indian parties in the House. It was, indeed, an unequivocal vote of censure on the Government. If it were a responsible Government it would have been compelled to resign. If it were at least representative, its members would have voluntarily resigned. But as things are, the members cling to their posts for obvious reasons. It may even be that they are incapable of realising their responsibility for the reign of repression in the country. So long as the new Viceroy permits the continuance of the present policy, he will, of course, be held as responsible for it as any other member of the Government. He cannot excuse himself on the ground that the policy is only a legacy of the past, so long as he would not make it a thing of the past.

Eire And Peace Conference

Will Eire be represented at the Peace Conference? But, perhaps, the questions will have first to be answered whether her Government is desirous of being represented or would demand representation at the Conference. Neither de Valera nor any other spokesman of the Eire Government has so far let out any hint of the attitude the Government would assume towards the Conference. No doubt, the Conference is still a far way off, but not certainly so far off for any nation that wants to have its say and play its part in the re-shaping of the post-war world to go to sleep over it, complacently hoping to be aroused in time to think of the subject. From the reference recently made by General Mulcahy, the Fine Gail leader, to the position of Eire in the British Commonwealth it is easy to see that the Irish leaders, including those outside the Government, have been devoting serious thought to the subject. There appears little doubt that the de Valera Government expects to be invited to participate not only in any conference that may be held to discuss the post-war problems of the British Commonwealth, but also in all post-war conferences which would be held under the auspices of the 'United Nations', to plan the New World Order. As General Mulcahy has pertinently pointed out, though Eire has chosen to remain a non-belligerent in the present war, she is still, constitutionally-speaking, a member of the British Commonwealth. So long as this constitutional link, however thin, exists, her rights as a member of the Commonwealth cannot be ignored, and one need have little doubt that this constitutional position will be fully appreciated by the present British Cabinet. The Commonwealth-cum-Imperial Conference which is expected to be held in July next will be an acid test of the true position of Eire in the Commonwealth. As to Eire's right to participate in post-war world conferences, or even in the next Peace Conference, it will be difficult to deny Eire that right when even Egypt, which is a non-belligerent, has been held out hopes by Allied statesmen that her desire for participation in the Peace Conference will be respected.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Medical Courses

The grievances of the medical students of the Bombay University, as set forth at their conference held in the city on Wednesday, seem to be thoroughly legitimate. As they are also substantially supported by the President, Dr. G. V. Deshmukh, they deserve to be severely considered by the University. We believe the M. B. B. S. course can be reorganised so as to improve its efficiency and also suit the students better. In any case the abnormally low percentage of passes at this University seems to be more due to faulty syllabus and examination than to faulty teaching and study. It is also a pity that the L.C.P.S. Course, which is meant to be appreciably simpler than the M.B.B.S., has recently been made only six months shorter by the College of Physicians and Surgeons. The whole question of medical courses needs to be reconsidered.

H. A. H. Payne

In the death of Mr. Payne, in harness, on Tuesday, at the age of 84, the city mourns the loss of its senior most solicitor. Enrolled 59 years ago, Mr. Payne stepped into the shoes of his father and was, at the time of his death, senior partner of the well-known firm of Payne and Company of which the late Mr. F. E. Dinshaw was also a partner. In matters relating to patents and trade-marks he was consulted by the city's leading business houses. Among his brother solicitors Mr. Payne commanded respect which was manifested by their having chosen him to be the President of the Bombay Incorporated Law Society for the last 22 years. On the 19th of March 1935, on the 50th anniversary of his enrolment as a solicitor, his brother solicitors presented him with a salver in recognition of his services to the profession. The poor, too, will miss him as the sympathetic President of the Legal Aid Society which renders free legal aid to the city's deserving poor.

YOUNG INDIA FOR EMPIRE SOLIDARITY!

Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan's Address To East London Rotarians

LONDON, Feb. 10.

An assurance that no matter what may be said about the dissenting elements, India was devoted to the British Empire and loyal to the Allies in their fight against the tyranny of Germany and Japan was given by Sir Shafaat Ahmad Khan, High Commissioner for India, addressing members of the East London Rotary on Wednesday.

People talking of the dissenting elements in India were not aware of the important stable elements successfully resisting the forces of dissent. Indians held key positions in the various provinces, and the majority of civil servants were Indians. There were 9,000 Indian officers in an army of two million Indians in the fighting services all of whom were volunteers equalling the entire European population of South Africa. India was willing to send more men when the call was made. He believed she could get 20 million excellent fighting men. Thousands of Indians were being trained as officers for the fighting services. In such ways the whole outlook of young Indians was being changed as they were coming into contact with other soldiers of the Empire and her Allies, and becoming imbued with greater appreciation for the solidarity of the Empire.

He referred to India's enormous industrial and potential mineral resources which had been placed at the disposal of the Allies. India, confident in the ultimate Allied victory had felt no safety in a compromise peace.

After the war, she would naturally look forward to attaining the status of a full dominion as promised by English statesmen.

He added that Indians were pleased and grateful to be under the City Council of East London which had tried to meet their legitimate wishes and needs.—Reuter.

MADRAS PROTEST AGAINST DISAFFILIATION OF SOPHIA COLLEGE

MADRAS, Feb. 10.

A resolution protesting against the proposal before the Bombay University to disaffiliate the Sophia College was passed at a meeting of Catholics of Madras, His Grace Mathias, the Archbishop of Madras presiding. The resolution stated that the proposal to disaffiliate the college was based "on groundless charges insupportable in any Court of Law and on unfounded suspicions" and assured support of Madras Catholics to the authorities of the College "in their fight for justice and freedom".—A. P.

Maharattas Chase Nazis On Adriatic Front

Allied Forces In Beachhead Definitely On Defensive

ALLIED HQ. N. AFRICA, Feb. 10.

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent.)

Heavy fighting is going on the flanks of the troops in the Beachhead. The Germans are making many counter-attacks.

The Allied forces in the beachhead are now definitely on the defensive. The heaviest fighting is on the left flank of the area north northwest of Carocetto. There is also heavy fighting along the perimeter of the Beachhead where the Germans are making a succession of strong probes in an effort to find a weak spot for a breakthrough. The Germans in addition to a counter-attack in the vicinity of the coastal sector of the left flank also launched three attacks against the Americans west of Cisterna.

After repulsing these attacks, the Americans put in a small attack of their own and gained some ground after fierce fighting. German attacks were also made on the right flank of the coastal sector. All attacks were repulsed.

MAHARATTAS OPEN FIRE ON NAZIS

Somewhere in Southern Italy Feb. 9.

The special correspondent of the Associated Press of India with the Indian Army in Italy cables:—A patrol of Maharattas led by Captain Hinds fought an exciting little action on the crest overlooking Arielli river on the Adriatic front on Monday night.

A strong German patrol heavily armed and supported by mortars raided the house where the Maharattas were. The Germans did not make a frontal approach but, circling round, they surruptitiously crept close towards the House from the back and side. The Maharattas mistook the Germans for patrol of a sister regiment which was supposed to be passing that way. To make sure of the identity, the Maharattas challenged. Back came the stern reply "come out and surrender".

The Maharattas opened fire but the enemy replied with mortar and machine-gun bursts. Captain Hinds decided to move out of the House and fight in the open. With men scattered apart, the Maharattas fought hard against the numerically superior enemy. Three Germans pounced upon Captain Hinds, removed the magazine from his tommyguns and marched off with him towards the German lines.

CAPTAIN'S ADVENTURE

Shortly afterwards came our powerful mortar support. Fire was so concentrated that it shook the Germans and they took to their heels. The Maharattas chased them some distance but the enemy disappeared in the darkness. Our mortars stepped up and overtook the enemy near the bed of Arielli. Three shots burst so close to Captain Hinds that his German guards ran for cover and Captain Hinds jumped over into a nullah and ran some distance before he took out a couple of handgrenades from underneath his jerkin and threw them at the fleeing Germans.

Capt. Hinds passed several hours in the ditch. Early on Tuesday morning Capt Hinds was accorded a great welcome when he returned to his men.—A. P.

FIGHTING IN YUGOSLAVIA

LONDON, Feb. 10. British units are operating with Yugoslav units on the Island of Hvar of the Dalmatian coast south of the Yugoslav port of Split and opposite the 8th Army line in Italy, states to-day's "communique" issued from Marshall Tito's Headquarters quoted by the Free Yugoslav Radio.

British units have sunk four German sailing vessels off the Dalmatian coast, capturing 85 Germans, the "communique" states.

It also reports that in the Slovenian coastal sector German troops are continuing with their offensive operations. In Lika Province, Croatia, heavy fighting continues at Senj, Zutrhokvr and Ogulin. On other sectors only local fighting is reported.—Reuter.

ALLIES TAKE JAP POSITION

R.A.F. And U.S. Planes Bomb Burma Targets

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10.

American trained Chinese troops on February 9 drove Japanese from a position eight miles west of Taro, says a communique' issued from Headquarters, South-East Asia Command, to-day. The troops met strong enemy resistance 10 miles north-east of Taihpa. British forces near Sumprabum ambushed two enemy units killing 12 and destroying supply carts.

In the Tiddim area on February 8 and 9 our forces continued consolidating their positions in the neighbourhood of Fort White.

On the Arakan front on February 9 there was normal activity west of the Mayu ridge. During the night on February 8 and 9 our patrols found the Taung Bazaar clear of the enemy.

West of Kaladan on February 6 Japanese troops made three unsuccessful attacks on our patrol and suffered considerable casualties. On February 7 our forces mortared enemy positions west of Kaladan.

JAP CAMP BOMBED

On February 8 U. S. mediums and fighter bombers attacked a Japanese camp just west of the road bridge at Mogaung. An anti-aircraft emplacement south of Mogaung was silenced. Another formation attacked a Japanese camp south of Kumnyen and a third bombed and strafed the road running north from Myitkyina.

U. S. mediums and fighters of the Eastern Air Command attacked Seinnyinsya, south of Buthidaung on February 9.

R A F escorted dive-bombers of the Tactical Air Force, Eastern Air Command twice attacked enemy positions near Buthidaung on February 9. Dive-bombers also attacked Japanese troops and stores in the Upper Chindwin, while fighter bombers made dive-bombing attacks in the Fort White area.

3 JAP PLANES DESTROYED

Japanese fighter aircraft on a sweep near Maungdaw were intercepted by R. A. F fighters. Three enemy fighters were destroyed, three probably destroyed, and 12 damaged.

A further enemy fighter was brought down by anti-aircraft fire. One of our aircraft missing.—A. P.

CORPORATION AND T. B. PROBLEM

Postponement of a consideration to take measures to prevent the spread of Tuberculosis in the city till the end of the war, was opposed in the Bombay Municipal Corporation, at its meeting, on Thursday. Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor, was in the Chair.

It was, however, decided to refer back the question, once again, to the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee.

Mr. R. P. Tatnis, chairman of the Committee, moved that the consideration of the question, for reasons stated by the Municipal Commissioner and as recommended by the Committee, be postponed till the end of the war.

The Municipal Commissioner in his letter stated that the construction of the new clinic at Parel had to be postponed on account of the high cost of materials and the difficulty of getting some of them. One hospital at Sewri, he stated, had been requisitioned by the Collector of Bombay and was being used as a hospital by the Royal Indian Navy. The population of the city had increased enormously and considerable difficulty was being experienced in getting suitable vacant rooms. The financial position of the Corporation had been greatly strained owing to war conditions. In view of these circumstances, there was no alternative but to postpone consideration of the major proposals till the return of normal times.

The questions of increasing the accommodation at the clinic at Princess Street and the appointment of a larger personnel at the place and increasing the staff of Health Visitors were, however, more urgent but the Commissioner was afraid that they too would have had to be postponed till the end of the war.

Dr. Malinibai Sukhtankar, moving an amendment to refer the proposal back to the Medical Relief Committee, stated that such an important question as the tackling of the tuberculosis problem could not await the end of the war. It was necessary that at least a part of the scheme for giving amenities to the patients of that disease should be put into operation.

Dr. Alban D'Souza, seconding the amendment, said that not even the fringe of the problem had been touched.

Dr. D'Souza stated that a meagre amount of Rs. 0-7-2 for every Rs. 100 was being spent by the Corporation for measures to prevent tuberculosis. He emphasised the need for increasing beds in the Sanatorium, for provision of isolation chawls and augmenting the personnel of Health Officers in a city where the present victims to that dreaded disease numbered 40,000.

The amendment was carried.

UNIVERSITY SENATE

Affiliations Granted To Several Colleges

Business mostly of a routine nature was transacted on the first day of a three-day session of the Bombay University Senate, which commenced on Thursday, Mr. B. J. Wadia, Vice-Chancellor, presiding.

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor made a reference to the demise of Principal V. G. Apte, first Principal of the Parashuram Bhau College, Poona, Shrimant Sardar Narayanrau Babasaheb Ghorpade, Chief of Ichalkaranji, who was for some time a Fellow of the University and a member of the Faculty of Arts, Maj T. D. C. Barry, former Professor of Chemistry in the Grant Medical College, and Mr. Jamsheedji P. Mistry, an ex-Fellow of the University, all of whom had passed away since the last meeting of the Senate.

Dewan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri was declared elected unopposed as a member of the Syndicate.

AFFILIATIONS GRANTED

The applications for affiliation on the extension thereof of the following colleges were granted:—The Karnatak College, Dharwar, for B.Sc. for 5 years; the Intermediate Arts Examination for two years for a College proposed to be started at Dharwar by the Karnatak Education Board, Dharwar; permanent affiliation for the Nowrosjee Wadia College, Poona, for certain Science courses for B. A. and B.Sc., the Hargovindas Laxmichand College of Commerce, Ahmedabad, for B. Com., for 5 years; the Sind Madressah Arts College for the B.A. in certain subjects for one year; the Sykes Law College, Kolhapur, for the LL.B. for three years; the Khalsa College, Bombay, for Inter-Arts, Inter-Science, B.A. and B.Sc. for three years; the Commerce College, Poona, for B. Com., for two years; the Rajaram College, Kolhapur, for Inter-Science and B.Sc., for three years; the Ramnarain Ruia College, Matunga, for History (Hons) and Ardha Magadhi (Pass) permanently, the Tilak College of Education, Poona, for the B.T. and T.D. Courses for a period of three years; the Podar College of Commerce for B. Com., permanently; the Lingaraj College, Belgaum, for B.Sc., in certain subjects for two years; the Dayaram Gidoomal National College, Hyderabad (Sind), for Biology for Inter-Science permanently; extension of affiliation to the same College for B.A. (Pass and Hons.) in Mathematics; the Pratapsinha College of Commerce and Economics, Baroda for B. Com., for two years; and the Intermediate Arts Examination of a College proposed to be started by the Basaveshwar Vidya-Vardhak Sangha at Bagalkot for two years.

The question of affiliation of the Hargovindas Laxmichand College of Commerce, Ahmedabad, provoked a debate which lasted for more than two hours. The local Inquiry Committee, the Syndicate and the Academic Council had recommended affiliation for only three years and subject to two conditions namely, the revision of the grades of the College staff and the payment of a dearness allowance. On an amendment moved by Rao Saheb S. M. Shah the period was extended to 5 years. Prof. N. M. Shah's amendment deleting the conditions was carried.

A resolution refusing the application of the Karnatak Lingayat Education Society, Belgaum, for a new College of Commerce at Belgaum also provoked a long debate. Principal N. M. Shah moved that the resolution should be referred back to the Syndicate as a measure of protest against what he regarded as unfair criticism of an established institution by the local Inquiry Committee. But the motion for reference back was lost.

The Senate will resume discussion to-day.

High Court Surprise For Punjab Govt.

Execution Of Orders Demanding Security On Press Suspended

LAHORE, Feb. 10.

A full bench of the Lahore High Court consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Mohammad Munir and Mr. Justice A. N. Bhandari issued a temporary injunction to-day suspending the execution of the Punjab Government's order demanding securities of Rs. 500 each from the "Pritam", a Gurmukhi weekly of Lahore, and its Press, till the decision of the appeal filed against the order.

It will be recalled that the securities had been demanded for the publication in the paper of an article headed "Fifth Column."—A. P.

FLAGS SEIZED AND SCHOOL BOYS ARRESTED

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10.

Five persons including four school boys have been arrested while attempting to take out a Congress procession in Chandni Chowk.

The police took possession of the National Flags which they were holding.—A. P.

REVIEW OF DETENUS' CASES

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10: It is learnt that the Delhi Provincial Government are sending notices to the Delhi detenus lodged in Punjab jails furnishing them with the grounds of detention in accordance with the new Detention Ordinance. There are at present 49 detenus in the Punjab jails.

It is further learnt that some cases are being reviewed by the Chief Commissioner and a few detenus are likely to be released shortly.

It is stated that all facilities for interviews allowed by the Punjab Government, will also apply to these Delhi detenus.—A. P.

SARLABEN JAILED

ALMORA, Feb. 10.

Pandit Govind Ram Kala, Magistrate, First Class, Almora, has convicted and sentenced Miss Helmann better known as Sarlaben, to two months S. I. under Section 26 of the Defence of India Rules for defying an order of the District Magistrate, Almora.

Miss Sarlaben pleaded guilty and the Magistrate recommended "B" class for her.—A. P.

Akhand Hindustan Meeting Banned

LAHORE, Feb. 10: An order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. was promulgated to-day by Mr. K. H. Henderson, District Magistrate, Lahore, prohibiting the holding of the Akhand Hindustan meeting at Village Raja Jang in Kasur Tahsil or at any other place within a radius of 10 miles of Raja Jang for a period of two weeks from 15th February, to 29th February as, in the opinion of the District Magistrate, the meeting is likely to cause a disturbance of public tranquility. The meeting is fixed for February 19 and 20.—A. P.

STOPPAGE IN NINE MILLS

GONDA, Feb. 10: Nine flour mills in Gonda and Bargaon have ceased to function as result of an order issued by the District Magistrate discontinuing the supply of electric energy to non-essential industrial concerns in Gonda, Bargaon and Balrampur.

The order has been issued under the Defence of India Rules in view of the acute shortage of coal.—A. P.

THREE DETENUS RELEASED

SAHARANPUR, Feb. 10: Three detenus of this district namely Master Shugan Chand, Thakur Annop Singh and Vaid Bhushan Vidya Lankar have been released unconditionally from the district jail, Saharanpur.—A. P.

Journalists Protest Against Restrictions On Bonus

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10.

A resolution protesting against the proposed legislation by the Government of India restricting the payment of bonus and dearness allowance and requesting the Government to drop the same, was adopted by the Executive Committee of the Indian Journalists' Association at a meeting yesterday.

The Association recorded its protest against the pre-censorship order on the "Hindustan Times" and the "National Call" and requested Government to withdraw the same for the smooth working of the Bombay Agreement.

PLEA TO PROPRIETORS

The Association 'inter alia' suggested that proprietors of newspapers and periodicals should increase substantively the salary of their employees and ensure the security of service.

The Association accorded support to Sardar Sant Singh's motion in the Central Assembly for bettering the condition of working journalists and also requested the President of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference to remove the discrepancy, during the current year, of the poor representation of prominent newspapers in Bengal and Bihar on the Standing Committee by nomination.—United Press.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

"The Magistrates, themselves, he said, could not be blamed. They had told him that they were virtually subordinate to the police and were, against their better judgment, provoked to convict persons whom they would otherwise have acquitted.

If an addition to this, the Executive attempted to inaugurate a reign of terror against the bar, persecute and coerce lawyers, they would be installing in the country a system which could not be distinguished from injustice or oppression."

—Mr. Frank Anthony, M.L.A.

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Some American citizens have made a present of American War Bonds to Marshal Stalin.

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The American Vice-Consul met Mr. Savarkar.

A protest to Washington on behalf of the Muslim League is deanitely indicated!

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The Assembly carried by 43 votes to 42 Mr. Kazmi's adjournment motion to censure the Government of India on the application of the Defence of India Rules in the provinces. The result of the vote was greeted with loud cheers from the Opposition and cries of "RESIGN, RESIGN".

This is what we call downright unfair of the Opposition. We mean: Why rub it in?

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Objecting to the adjournment motion being admitted, the Home Member said that the policy being attacked "was nothing new".

We entirely agree. It is very old—over 150 years old!

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Maulana Zafar Ali Khan complained that that whoever talked of independence for India was looked upon as an offender.

Thank heavens, the Maulana is safe these days!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS (Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague.)

(1) *The Viceroy will promulgate a new Ordinance to increase the number of official and nominated members in the Assembly to ensure that the Government suffers no more defeats over adjournment motions.*

(2) *In this extension of the official bloc, the "Times of India's" Special Correspondent will be the first to be nominated—as a reward for his consistent defence of the Government position in his despatches.*

(3) *Bhole and Ghiasuddin will now address British audiences to explain the Government defeat in the Assembly in terms of democracy, etc. etc.*

(4) *Justice might have become paralysed in U.P. but the arm of the law has not even become stiff—and is still swinging the lathi!*

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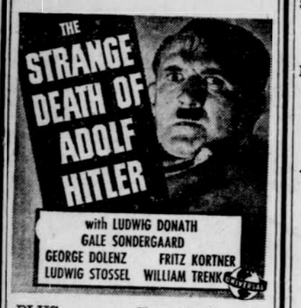

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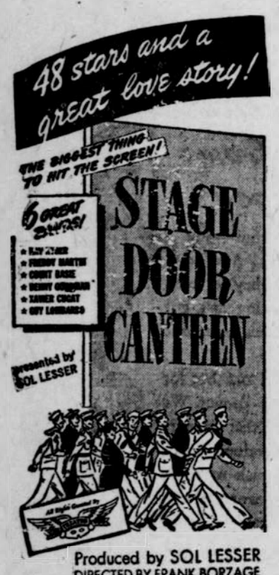

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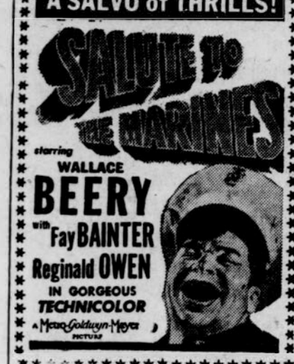

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Hindu: Magh Vad 3, 2000.
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Sunrise: 8-11 a.m. Sunset: 7-35 p.m.
Hightide: 1-26, 13-26; Lowtide: 7-38, 19-13.

To-day's Engagements

HIND VIDYALAYA: Twelfth annual day at school premises, Angre Wadi' Girgaon, to-day (Friday), at 6-30. Dr. K. S. Mhaskar presiding.

ANJUMAN-ISLAM GIRLS' SCHOOL: Meena Bazar at Saboo Siddick Bagh, Bellasis Road on Sunday, 13th February. Mr. Justice Chhagla presiding.

BOMBAY PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY: Mr R. N. Haldipur will read a paper 'Politics and Morals' to-day (Friday), at Wilson College, at 6 p.m.

FORT HINDU STUDENTS' FEDERATION: Urgent meeting of the working committee in the office (Hammam Street), Fort, Bombay to-day (Friday), at 4 p.m.

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WOMEN'S COUNCIL: Opening day of the Conference to-day (Friday), at 5-15 p.m., at University Convocation Hall, Rani Saheba of Gwalior presiding.

PRINCIPAL GOKAK'S LECTURE: At University School of Economics, at 6 p.m to-day (Friday), on "Linguistic Approach to Literature". Mr. J. B. Wadia, Vice-Chancellor, presiding.

NEW ERA SCHOOL PAST Students are invited to meet Prin. Vyas at a Gathering to be held on Saturday, 12th Feb. at 5-30 p.m. in the School Hall.'

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "The Earth Chain" from The Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day (Friday), 6-15 p.m.

PROF. V. K. GOKAK LECTURE: Under auspices of Mogaveera Yuvaka Sangha, Principal V. K. Gokak, will speak on "Kannada play-writes' ideal", to-day (Friday), at 8-15 p.m., at the Sangha's premises, 46, Churchgate Street, Fort.

RECEPTION TO MR. BRELVI: Pressowners Association to congratulate Mr Brelvi on his election to the Presidentship of All-India Newspapers' Conference to-day (Friday), at 6-30 p.m., at Forbes Sabha Hall, Congress House Lane, Seth Husaini Abdulla Varawalla presiding.

MAHARASHTRA UTKARSHA MANDAL: Mr. B. S. Dabke, speaks on "The Condition of our Country" on Friday (to-day), at 6-30 p.m. in the Karandikar Hall of the Brahman Sabha, Girgaon. The Rt. Hon. M. R. Jayakar presides.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE: Bai Siddheshwaribai, well known vocalist, will give a concert at Laxmi Baug, New Bhatwadi at 9-30 p.m. tomorrow Saturday.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ: Public reception to Ambalapuzha Brothers, the well-known Nadaswaram players, at the Samaj premises, 81, Hindu Colony, 2nd Road, Dadar to-mororw (Saturday) at 7-30 p.m. (S.T.)

ONE MORE GOLD MEDAL TO "RAMRAJYA": To honour Mr. Vijay Bhatt, Director of "Ramrajya" a tea-party was given at the Taj-Mahal Hotel on Monday last by Mr. Chimanlal V. Shah, Editor, Matrubhumi" and "Bharat Samachar". Among those present were prominent citizens, journalists and others connected with the film industry. On behalf of "Matrubhumi" and "Bharat Samachar" a Gold Medal was awarded to Mr. Vijay Bhatt at the hands of Mrs. Jayavati Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee.

WAR MAP OF EUROPE.

We have received a Copy of War Map of Europe published by George Philip and Son, London. The map is priced at 1 shilling.

GOVERNOR ATTENDS E.N.S.A. SHOW

H. H. The Princess of Berar, Prince Moazzam Jah and Princess Niloufer of Hyderabad, Major the Aly Khan, Major D. R. Jardine Mr. J. Turner and Dr. Raj, Staff Officer to H. H. the Princess of Berar lunched at Government House on Thursday.

The Governor of Bombay attended a performance by an E.N.S.A. Company at the Excelsior Theatre on Thursday.

SJT. K. PANDYA RELEASED

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Sjt. Kamalashanker Panya of Dohad who was on parole for 15 days was unconditionally released to-day.

Donations For Red Cross Week

As the final returns for Bombay Red Cross Week, which ended on February 5, will not be completed for some weeks to come, Red Cross Week Committee wish to announce that donations will still be received by them until the end of February.

There are some events yet to come. Owing to various circumstances these events could not be held during the Week.

These include, Festival Cricket, Indian XI versus Services, at the Brabourne Stadium on February 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, an Inter-services Boxing Tournament, also at the Stadium on February 18th and The Merrie Town Fete, at Elphinstone Gardens February 25th to March 1st.

Donations may be sent to the Honorary Treasurer, Bombay Red Cross Week Committee, Imperial Bank of India, Bombay.

'STAGE DOOR CANTEEN' AT EXCELSIOR AND EMPIRE

By T. V. P.

"Stage Door Canteen" released through United Artists at Excelsior and New Empire Theatres from today has brought together an array of entertainers of screen, stage and radio, who contribute to make an outstanding picture.

"The Dancing Masters" at Eros brings back Laurel and Hardy together and one can imagine what hilarious situations they can produce while working as dance teachers to young ladies in a dancing school. With this film is also the latest March of Time entitled "Show Business at War" covering the contributions made by Hollywood towards the war.

"The Strange Death of Adolph Hitler" at Regal is a daring concept but it has been plausibly worked out on the screen by Universal, throwing a flood of light on Hitler's psychology and behaviour as the dictator of Germany.

"Bombardier" at Strand is a saga of the United States Air Forces made by R. K. O. Radio Pictures. Pat O'brien, Randolph Scott, Anne Shirley and Eddie Albert. It carries a human story and therefore becomes a really good propaganda picture of anti-Jap content.

"Salute to Marines" at Metro is a salute to the fighting ships and their crew of United States with Wallace Beery in the leading role. Marine training and valour are carefully pictured in this inspiring story.

"Tales of Manhattan" is being shown at Palace. Aurora is screening a number of good pictures "Mrs. Miniver" on Friday "The Good Earth" on Saturday and Sunday, "Blossoms in the Dust" on Monday, Mayal's New York Adventure on Tuesday and Wednesday and "Hitler's Children" on the Bombay on Thursday.

CITY MARKETS

Bombay, Feb. 10

SHARES: The process of distribution by big operators continued to-day in the Share Bazar. There was absence of any support from professionals and the market assumed sagging tendency. It is true that recently speculative interest is increasing and new buyers are getting long at higher levels. Tata Steel Dfd. Shares opened at Rs. 2,210 and declined to Rs. 2,180. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 428 and steadied at Rs 427. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 2,175 and declined to Rs. 2,157. Century shares were neglected at Rs. 1,200 Kohinoors opened at Rs. 747 and sagged to Rs. 739.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

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BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was again unchanged at £8-8-0, Dollar Sterling Cross Rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The local market opened very steady with forward Silver quoted at Rs. 124-4. There was absence of any important buying and prices declined to Rs. 123-8. It appears that the rise is overdone and it will be advisable to secure profits. Gold delivery business was done at Rs. 71.

There was increased selling pressure and closing quotations were as under:—Ready Silver Rs. 125-12, delivery Rs. 122-8, Ready Gold Rs. 70-15-6 and delivery Rs. 70-14-6.

COTTON: The local cotton market was quietly steady to-day with a moderate business passing. The market opened at Rs. 474-8 for March delivery and after declining to Rs. 474-4 improved to Rs. 475 under scattered buying. Later the market steadied at Rs. 474-12.

Later on there was improved buying and prices advanced to Rs. 477. The market closed at 6 p.m. as under:—I C C March Rs. 475, I C C May Rs. 471-8, I C C July Rs. 474.

COTTON ARRIVALS: Khandesh 400, Barsi 607, N.-W. Provinces 101, Sindh-Punjab 6,875, Westerns 206, East African 8,849. Total 17,238 Bales.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton March contract is below New York March 226 cent. points at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

I. C. C. March Hight 475-1/2, Lowest 472-1/2, Closing 474-3/4, I. C. C. May Highest 471,1/2, Lowest 470, Closing 470-1/2, I. C. C. July Highest 475, Lowest 473, Closing 473-1/2.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Feb. 10.

	Extra Sprfine	Sup. Fine.	F.Good
Jarilla	494	474	469
L S S Pun.-Ame.	635	630	625	620
289F. Pun.-Ame.	675	670	665	660
N. T. Sind-Ameri.	635	630	625	620
Sawgin Ameri.	675	670	665	660

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Feb. 10.

	Ready	Delivery	Contract New
	Old	New	Feb.
Khandesh Jarilla	310/350	405/40	
Berar Jarilla	355/370	450/70	
289 F. Roller	530/590	645/70	650/65
N. T. Roller	510/530	620/25	620/25
289 F. Sawginned	590/620	730/35	

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Feb. 9.

March 20.56+05, May 20.19+04, July 19.77+07, October 19.27+05, December 19.12+07, January 19.02+07, March highest 20.58+10 (2.48 p.m.) Lowest 20.48 (10 a.m.), Middling Spot 21.23+06.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

March 20.71+09, May 20.37+07, July 19.94+06, October 19.31+07, December 19.13+06, January 19.07+06, Middling Spot 20.50+05.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

March 20.53, May 20.18, July 19.74.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 4th day of February 1944.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES

Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 6,97,99,000. Notes in Circulation Rs. 863,09,34,000. Total Notes Issued Rs. 870,07,33,000.

ASSETS

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—(a) Held in India Rs. 44,41,43,000, Sterling Securities Rs. 752,83,96,000, Total of A Rs. 797,25,39,000, B. Rupee Coin Rs. 14,49,-25,000, Government of India Rupee Securities Rs. 58,32,69,000. Total Assets Rs. 870,07,33,000.

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 91.631 per cent.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

At the Army Navy Stores I saw a very familiar face which I hadn't seen for many years. It was of Pat or Pataudi or the "Noob", depending on by what name you know him. The years had not changed him one jot—nor even the cares of State. He seemed that same great little fellow who played for Oxford against Cambridge and again for England against Australia. The only thing he lacked was the familiar blazer of the Hermits' Club. I'd like to see him at the wicket again and see again that delightful late cut which he had mastered. If you see him at the Festival Match give him a great reception, for like Duleep he was one of those who took India into the Zone of world cricket.

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The intervention in debate by the Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Bell, will doubtless cause a stir in British official circles. Dr. Bell spoke of the "terrific devastation of German Towns" and said: "Hitler is a barbarian: We should not make him our pattern". Lord Cranbourne replied on behalf of the Government. Reuter calls it a "vigorous" reply. Even so, one cannot help feeling that the Bishop of Chichester put it rather strongly when he put the bombing of German towns as an act of barbarism. The British High Command does not like that sort of approach from a Minister of God.

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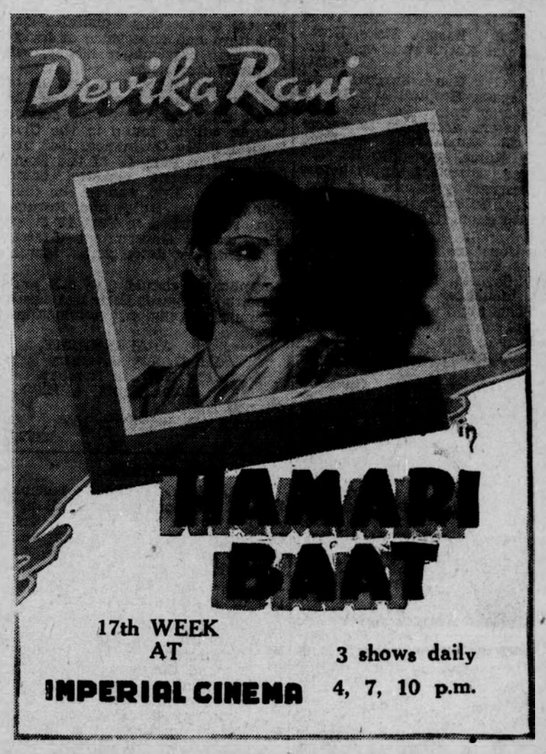

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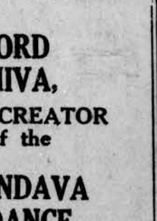

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Applications are invited for the posts of Temporary Clerks, preferably Typists. Pay Rs. 65|- per month including dearness allowance. The application typed by the applicant himself should be addressed to Box No. 7773, "Bombay Chronicle", before the 15th instant.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of an Assistant Sewage Chemist in the grade of Rs 75-5-125 plus Rs. 5|- P.M. as Cycle Allowance so as to reach the Undersigned on or before 16th February, 1944. The post is temporary

The applicant should possess at least a B. Sc. degree with Chemistry as his principal subject. Preference will be given to one who has experience of bacteriological and other analytical work dealing with research problems on subjects like sewage disposal, water supply, agricultural chemistry, waste materials etc.

(Sd.) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ahmedabad, 7th February, 1944.
(7777)

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A 1ST CLASS TRACER for a temporary war organisation. One who has worked in a Drawing Office, where drawings in connection with Shipbuilding are produced, such as drawings of hull, lines plans, plate expansion, hull fittings and equipment. He should have at least five years' experience in this particular type of work. Pay between Rs. 25 to Rs. 90 per mensem according to qualifications. Apply with full particulars to Assistant Director (Administration), Directorate General, Shipbuilding and Repairs, Reserve Bank, Bombay. (7780)

PUBLIC NOTICES

CIVIL PIONEER FORCE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED and should reach the undersigned on or before the 1st March, 1944, for one temporary post of a commissioned officer (2nd Lieutenant) in the Bombay Civil Pioneer Force. The appointment will be made for the duration of the war and, if so required, for a period not exceeding one year thereafter. The pay of the post will be in the scale of Rs. 250-25-350.

Candidates should be between the ages of 18 and 40 years. Government servants and retired Government servants are eligible for appointment and in the case of the latter, there will be no age limit. The person appointed will be liable to serve anywhere in India but not overseas.

Candidates who are or have been members of the University Training Corps or have had experience of Army life and who possess engineering qualifications and have had experience of handling men, particularly labour, will be given preference.

Full particulars of the duties of the Civil Pioneer Force and of the terms and conditions of service therein will be found in the Civil Pioneer Force Ordinance, 1942, republished in Part IV of the Bombay Government Gazette, dated 12th March, 1942, and in the Civil Pioneer Force Rules and Regulations republished in Part IV-C of the Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary dated 28th March, 1942.

Applicants should give full particulars as regards their age, caste, community, religion, qualifications, etc.

J. ABERNETHY,
Addl. Deputy Secretary
to the Govt. of Bombay,
Home Deptt. (A.R.P.)
Council Hall,
Bombay, 6th February, 1944.
(7771)

NOTICE

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M. CARBERY,
Director of Agriculture, Bengal.
(7775)

COUNTRY CRAFT FACILITIES ON THE WEST COAST

TO AFFORD MUCH NEEDED relief to the increasing strain on Railways, it is necessary to divert traffic to the sea route to the maximum extent possible. Even for sea traffic only a limited number of steamers are available. The public are therefore advised to take full advantage of country craft for transporting their goods. A list of approved country craft agents on the West Coast, who may be consulted by intending users of country craft, is given below:—

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12. Mr. J. T. Kotak, Ramnavmi Building, Katha Bazar, Bombay No. 3.
13. The Bombay Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Scindia House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
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17. Mr. Haji Jetha Gokul, Khari Garden, Karachi.

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Any further information required in connection with the transport of cargo by country craft on the West Coast may be obtained from the Country Craft Organisation Officer, United India Building, 2nd Floor, Sir Pherozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, who will be glad to contact traders or their representatives personally.

WAR TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT
(7783)

PUBLIC NOTICES

ANNOUNCEMENT

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(7780)

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LOST OR MISLAID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Temporary Receipt No. 5404 in respect of Fifteen share(s) numbered 440384|93 and 685078|82 of the Asscciated Cement Companies, Limited, standing in the name of Miss Sirin Framji Bana has been LOST or MISLAID, and the undersigned has applied to the Company for delivery of the Share Certificate(s) for the said share(s).

Any person in possession of the said Temporary Receipt and|or having any claim to the said share(s) should notify to and lodge such claim with the Company at its Registered Office at Esplanade House, Waudby Road, Bombay, within one month from the date hereof after which period no claim will be considered and the Directors will proceed to deal with the said application and deliver the Share Certificate(s) if they think fit.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1944.

SIRIN FRAMJI BANA,
Shareholder.
(7772)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POST OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

WANTED a CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER for the Kalahandi State, Eastern States Agency.

Retired Civil Surgeons physically fit or experienced Assistant Surgeons or Medical Graduates having not less than 10 years practice are eligible.

Preference will be given to a doctor with Public Health or Radiology training.

The salary will be according to qualification. Applicants will therefore kindly mention the salary that they expect. Free quarters will be provided. Benefit of the State Provident Fund will be allowed and Jail allowance of Rs. 30|- is attached to the Post of the Chief Medical Officer. The services will terminate on two months' notice on either side.

The applications with true copies of testimonials which will not be returned should reach the Diwan, Kalahandi State, Eastern States Agency, P.O. Bhawanipatna via Kesinga, B.N.Ry. on or before the 15th March, 1944.
(774)

TENDER NOTICE

No. BSY|GABS|3-P

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, (Purchase Branch), Bombay, invites firms interested in the manufacture of G. I. Buttons to get in touch with him immediately.

The specification of the store can be seen in his Office.
(7781)

NOTICE

CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, BOMBAY.

INVITES APPLICATIONS before 21st February, from either sex for:

1. Office Assistants on Rs. 140-8-220.
2. Senior Clerks on Rs. 80-5-150-10-200.
3. Stenographers on Rs. 90-5-160.
4. Routine Division Clerks on Rs. 50|60-2-80.

Candidates for (1) should be graduates with sufficient clerical experience in Government Offices or in reputable commercial firms.

Candidates for (2) should also be graduates or under graduates with previous office experience.

Enhanced starting salaries to maximum of Rs. 172|- and Rs. 125|- for Assistants and Senior Clerks respectively may be given to deserving candidates having previous experience with Steamer Agents or Clearing Agents.

Candidates for (3) should have a minimum speed of 120 and 40 words per minute in Shorthand and Typewriting respectively. Those with higher speed and high educational qualifications may be given a start at maximum of Rs. 150|- per month.

Candidates for (4) must be matriculates at least.

Those in service can only apply through their employers.

Applicants unwilling to accept starting salaries should say so in their applications.
(7783)

MESSRS. ERICSON & RICHARDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between Captain James Charles Richards and Captain Herbert James Miller carrying on the business of Marine Surveyors, Ship Valuers, Fire Loss Assessors and Compass Adjusters, at 32 Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, and Goolamali Fadoo Building, Bunder Road, Karachi, under the style or firm name of Messrs. Ericson & Richards has been dissolved as from the 10th day of February, 1944.

Dated 10th February, 1944.

H. J. MILLER.
(7784)

OFFICE OF THE STEEL IMPORT CONTROL, CALCUTTA.

PUBLIC NOTICE

HOLDERS of import licences for goods falling under Part I of the Schedule annexed to the Government of India Commerce Department Notification No. 23-I.T.C.|43 dated the 1st July, 1943, are informed that licences which are valid for shipment upto 31st December, 1943, stand automatically revalidated for shipments made in the period January-June, 1944, and do not require formal revalidation by the licensing authority.
(7787)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following temporary posts in the Office of the Textile Commissioner, Bombay.

1. ASSISTANT PROGRESS OFFICER: Candidates must be first class graduates of a recognised University and should have experience in the compilation and interpretation of statistics and a sound knowledge of the Cotton Textile Industry in India. Salary Rs. 250|- per mensem. Higher initial salary will be given to candidates with exceptional qualifications.
2. SUPERINTENDENTS: Pay: Rs. 275-20-375. Candidates must possess at least second class or honours degree of a recognised University and practical experience or organization, procedure and control of staff in a Government Office for a period of 10 years.
3. ASSISTANTS: Pay: Rs. 140-8-220. Candidates must be first class graduates or double graduates. Preference will be given to persons having good clerical experience in a Government Office or well-organized commercial firm.
4. STENOGRAPHERS: Pay: Rs. 90-5-160. Candidates should be Matriculates and possess at least 3 years' experience in Stenography. They should pass a stenography test at the rate of 100 words per minute for 5 minutes.
5. SENIOR CLERKS: Pay: Rs. 80-5-150. Candidates must be graduates with at least 3 years' clerical experience or Undergraduates with 7 years' clerical experience.
6. ROUTINE CLERKS: Pay: Rs. 50|60-2-80. Candidates must be Matriculates. The initial pay of persons who have at least one year's experience in a Government Office or a well-organized commercial firm will be fixed at Rs. 60|- per mensem in the scale.
7. TYPISTS: Pay: Rs. 50-10-60-260. Applicants should be at least Matriculates and should be able to type accurately at a minimum speed of 40 words per minute. A higher initial salary in the grade may be granted to candidates according to proficiency shown at a test in Typewriting.

Applications (on the prescribed forms available on demand) should be submitted to the Assistant Secretary (Establishment), Office of the Textile Commissioner Ballard Estate, Bombay by the 25th February, 1944, at the latest. Preference will be given to Muslim candidates.
(7778)

AUCTION SALES

RARE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECTORS OF ART.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY OLD AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF VASES AND DRESDEN FIGURES, BRONZE DOGS GARDEN SEATS, A LARGE COLLECTION OF CHINA VASES BOWLS, BOHEMIAN VASES, OLD ENGLISH AND CHINA FIGURES AND NUMERCUS OTHER ARTICLES OF ART.

Under instructions from M|s. Eastley Lam & Co., Attorneys for the Executrix, M|s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction TODAY FRIDAY the 11th February, 1944, from 11-30 a.m. to 1-30 p.m. and the remaining lots from 3 p.m. (N.S.T.) at their Rooms at 120, Apollo Street, Fort, the undermentioned articles belonging to the Estate of the late Mr. C. M. Banaji, well-known Collector of Curios and Antiques.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF 154 REAMS DUPLEX BOARD

Messrs. GANDHI & CO. will under instructions from Messrs. Jhavery & Co., Attorneys for Messrs. Dalmia Cement & Paper Marketing Co. Ltd. and on account and at the risk of The Central India Tobacco Co. Ltd., (of Lashkar, Gwalior, C.I.) the defaulting purchasers, sell by public Auction on Monday, 14th inst. at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at their Rooms at 72, Medows St., Bombay:—

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Above goods are at Lashkar, Gwalior, (C.I.) in possession of Imperial Bank of India. Purchaser will take delivery from the said Bank at his own costs. Samples are open for inspection.

Terms: 25 per cent deposit.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS for enlistment as candidates for clerical posts in the Co-operative Department are invited from persons who are natives of the Province of Bombay. Grade Rs. 25-5|2-55. Dearness Allowance admissible under order of Government. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:—Matriculation Examination. AGE LIMIT as on 1-3-44:—23 for Advanced and 26 for Intermediate and Backward. Last date for receipt of applications is 22-2-44. Particulars and prescribed forms of applications are obtainable from the Office of the Registrar, Co-operative Societies and Director of Rural Development, Bombay Province, Poona, and will be supplied on receipt of (i) an addressed (large) envelope bearing postage stamps of the value of 3½ annas, and (ii) one rupee only in cash or by an INDIAN POSTAL ORDER (not crossed) in favour of the 'Registrar of Co-operative Societies and Director of Rural Development, Poona.'

S. M. IKRAM,
Registrar, Co-operative Societies,
and Director of Rural Development.
(7776)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. VITHAL MORESHWAR VIJAYKAR has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned properties situate at Santa Cruz free from all incumbrances. All persons having any claim against or to the said properties by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, charge, lien, trust, lease, possession, gift, bequest, maintenance easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 361, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen (14) days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims and the same if any will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

(a) All that piece or parcel of Thoka land or ground, situate, lying and being at Danda, Santa Cruz in Thana District, without the Fort, containing by admeasurement 1806 square yards and two-thirds of another square yard or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Survey No. 298 and bounded as follows: That is to say, on the East by the land of Framjee Dorabjee Bahadur, on the West and North by the Public Road on the South by the land of Shamrao Manekjee Rele.

(b) All that peice or parcel of land containing by admeasurement 760 square yards or thereabouts situate at Mouze Danda (Santa Cruz) Pitha Bandra Taluka Salasette, Thana District being portion of land registered by the Collector of Thana under Entry No. 3257, Survey No. 191, non-agricultural Survey No. 212, Pot No. 1 area 760 square yards together with the Bungalow, tenements out-houses and other structures standing thereon assessed by the Bandra Municipality under House Nos. 4 and 4A and bounded on or towards the North by Public passage, on or towards the South by the property of Shamrao Maneckji Rele, on or towards the West formerly by the open ground of Vinayak Bapuji Kothare and now of Vithal Moreshwar Vijayakar and on or towards the East formerly by open ground of Balaji Pandurang Navalkar and now of Mohanlal Purmanand Killawalla.

Dated this 9th day of February, 1944.

SAMANT & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(7770)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLEARED CARGOES OF THE B. P. T. DOCKS.

In accordance with Sec. 64 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust, Docks MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 15th February, 1944, at 2-30 p.m. at Alexandra Docks (Sale Warehouse), 633 Tea, Electric Goods; Cylinders; Hoops; Tubes; Hardware; Copper and iron sheets and plates; Pipes; wire; Drums oil; Toilet requisite; Medicine; Wine; Asbestos; G. pipes; 50 Barrels Cocoa, &c.

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